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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A mobile communication apparatus for communicating with a

network selectively utilizing a plurality of IC units connected to the apparatus, each of the IC

units having data for establishing a communication link with the network, the apparatus

comprising:

a detector configured to detect each of the IC units connected to the apparatus;

an activator configured to activate at least one of the detected IC units for communication

with the network; [and]

a selector configured to select an activated IC unit based upon location data broadcasted

from the network for use in establishing a communication link with the network; and

a controller configured to inform the network of the data in the selected [activated] IC

unit(s);

wherein the activator deactivates a non-selected IC unit.

2. (original) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the

activator is configured to activate more than one of the detected IC units for communication with

the network.

3. (original) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the

apparatus is configured to initiate establishment of a communication link with the network.

Cancel claims 4-8.

9. (currently amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim [8] 1,

wherein the data indicates a country where the mobile communication apparatus is located.

10. (currently amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim [7] $\underline{1}$,

wherein each IC unit has a country code indicating a home location of the mobile

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communication apparatus, and the selector selects for use in establishing a communication link

with the network an activated IC unit that has a broadcasted home location code.

11. (currently amended) A method [for] of selectively utilizing a plurality of IC units

connected to a mobile communication apparatus for communicating with a network, each of the

IC units having data for establishing a communication link with the network, the method

comprising:

detecting each of IC units connected to the apparatus;

activating at least one of the detected IC units for communication with the network; [and]

selecting an activated IC unit based upon location data broadcasted from the network for

use in establishing a communication link with the network;

informing the network of the data in the selected [activated] IC unit(s); and

deactivating a non-selected IC unit.

12. (original) The method according to claim 11, wherein more than one of the detected

IC units are activated for communication with the network.

13. (original) The method according to claim 11, said method further comprising

initiating from said apparatus a communication link with the network.

Cancel claims 14-18.

19. (currently amended) The method according to claim [18] 11, wherein the data

indicates a country where the mobile communication apparatus is located.

20. (currently amended) The method according to claim [17] 11, wherein each IC unit

has a country code indicating a home location of the mobile communication apparatus, and

wherein an activated IC unit that has a broadcasted location code is selected for use in

establishing a communication link with the network.

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- 21. (currently amended) A mobile communication apparatus for receiving a plurality of IC units to communicate with a network, each of IC units having data for establishing a communication link with the network, the apparatus comprising:
 - a plurality of sockets configured to receive said plurality of IC units;
 - a detector configured to detect an IC unit received in a said socket;
- an activator configured to activate the detected IC unit for communication with the network; [and]
- a selector configured to select an activated IC unit based upon location data from the network to communicate with the network; and
- a controller configured to inform the network of the data in the <u>selected</u> [activated] IC unit;

wherein the activator deactivates a non-selected IC unit.

22. (original) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said activator is configured to activate a second IC unit inserted into one of said sockets after a first unit has been inserted into another socket.

Cancel claim 23-27.

- 28. (currently amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim [27] 21, wherein the data indicates a country where the mobile communication apparatus is located.
- 29. (currently amended) The mobile communication apparatus according to claim [26] 21, wherein each IC unit has a country code indicating a home location of the mobile communication apparatus, and the selector selects, for use in establishing a communication link with the network, an activated IC unit that has a broadcasted home location code.
- 30. (currently amended) A method carried out in a mobile communication apparatus for communicating with a network, said apparatus having a plurality of sockets for receiving a

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plurality of IC units, each of the IC units having data for establishing a communication link with the network, the method comprising:

detecting an IC unit received in a said socket;

activating the detected IC unit for communication with the network; [and] selecting an activated IC unit based upon location data from the network for use in

informing the network of the data in the selected [activated] IC unit; and

deactivating a non-selected IC unit.

establishing a communication link with the network;

31. (original) The method according to claim 30, further comprising activating a second.

IC unit inserted into one of said sockets, after a first unit has been inserted into the other socket.

Cancel claim 32-36.

37. The method according to claim [36] <u>30</u>, wherein the data indicates a country where the mobile communication apparatus is located.

[39]38. The method according to claim [35] 30, wherein each IC unit has a country code indicating a home location of the mobile communication apparatus, and wherein an IC unit that has a broadcasted location code is selected for use in establishing a communication link with the network.